Status of implementation of One Hudnred Thirtieth and One Hundred Thirty-Second Reports of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): Sir, I make a Statement regarding status of implementation of recommendations contained in the One Hundred Thirtieth and One Hundred Thirty-second Reports of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 9799/08 and 9799A/08]

Status of implementation of Twenty-Seventh and Twenty-Ninth Reports of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Textiles

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): Sir, I to make a Statement regarding status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-seventh and Twenty-ninth Reports of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Textiles. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 10047/08 and 210048/08]

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I have to inform hon. Members that a fax letter has been received from Shri Tiruchi Siva stating that he is unable to attend the House as he has sustained an injury in the right foot which has led to fracture. He has, therefore, requested for Leave of Absence from 10th December, 2008, till the end of the 214th Session of Rajya Sabha.

Does he have the permission of the House to remain absent from all meetings of the House during the current Session?

(No hon. Member dissented)

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Permission to remain absent is granted.

MATTERS RAISED WITH PERMISSION

Illegal Immigration/Infiltration in Assam, West Bengal and other States of the Country

THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): I rise, today, to refer to a situation which has been in existence for a very long time and, particularly, a movement and an investigation launched by the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad and a Report that it has submitted. I strongly commend that Report, because it highlights, very effectively, a continuing wrong that is taking place in the North-East of India.

Just a few minutes back there was a question referring to it to which the hon. Minister of Home replied effectively. Sir, this is a question of illegal immigration, a question that has bedevilled the region for decades now. If one were to go into the genesis it would really go back